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March 18, 2003

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RE:

**EMERGENCY REQUEST OF March 17, 2003** 

SAND(s):

CAMERINA C SAND, RESERVOIR A

FIELD:

RICEVILLE FIELD

PARISH:

Vermilion Parish, Louisiana

**APPLICANT:** 

BASS ENTERPRISES PRODUCTION CO.

Dear Mr. Smelley:

Because of the reason set forth in your emergency request letter, it has been determined that undue hardship would be caused by the 20-day delay prescribed in Rule 3 of the Revised Rules of Procedure, effective October 11, 1983. You are therefore permitted to immediately file your application in compliance with Rule 8 of the Revised Rules of Proced

Yours truly,

JAMES H. WELSH COMMISSIONER OF CONSERVATION

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John R. Aldridge, Director

**ENGINEERING DIVISION** 

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Mr. John R. Aldridge Director, Engineering Division Louisiana Office of Conservation Post Office Box 44275 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4275

Re: <u>EMERGENCY REQUEST</u>.

Camerina C Sand, Reservoir A, RICEVILLE FIELD, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Mr. Aldridge:

Attached is a plat reflecting the one (1) drilling and production unit (CAM C RA SUA) which Bass Enterprises Production Co. ("Applicant") proposes to create for the Camerina C Sand, Reservoir A, in the Riceville Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana. Applicant is the operator of the F. Broussard No. 1 Well, shown within the proposed unit, and is the owner of leases covering acreage within this proposed unit. This well has been producing from a deeper horizon. All of the leases within the proposed unit are beyond their primary terms and are being held in force only by the F. Broussard No. 1 Well. Applicant intends to recomplete the F. Broussard No. 1 Well into the Camerina C Sand for which no unit exists.

In order to preserve the leasehold interests of Applicant in this area, it is respectfully requested that Applicant be allowed to utilize the emergency procedure in the calling of a public hearing to create the unit shown on the attached plat so that unitization can be accomplished prior to the expiration of Applicant's leasehold rights. In this respect, in light of the rework provisions of the non-drillsite leases, we need an order by May 27, 2003, so as to achieve unitization prior to expiration of the leases.

With best regards, I remain

Yours very truly,

David L. Smelley

Attorney for Bass Enterprises Production Co.

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DLS:dp Enclosure

cc: Mr. Richard Hudson (w/encl.)

Mr. Les Landry (w/encl.)

Mr. Louis B. Gilbert (w/encl.)

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#### FEDERAL EXPRESS

Honorable James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation 617 N. 3rd Street, 9th Floor LaSalle Building Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802

Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Camerina C Sand, Reservoir A, RICEVILLE FIELD, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

BASS ENTERPRISES PRODUCTION CO. ("Applicant") hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Camerina C Sand, Reservoir A, in the Riceville Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana:

- 1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Camerina C Sand, Reservoir A.
- 2. To create a single drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Camerina C Sand, Reservoir A, such unit being designated CAM C RA SUA and being shown on the attached plat.
- 3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed unit with each separate tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
- 4. To designate a unit operator of, and unit well for, the proposed unit as may be appropriate.
- 5. To provide that future wells drilled to the Camerina C Sand outside of the unit proposed herein be located in accordance with the provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.

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- 6. To provide that any future replacement and/or alternate unit well for CAM C RA SUA be exempt from the well location provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
- 7. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation may reclassify the Camerina C Sand, Reservoir A, by Supplemental Order and without the necessity of a public hearing should such a reclassification be warranted based on evidence furnished to the Commissioner.
- 8. To define the Camerina C Sand, Reservoir A, as that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the measured depths of 15,028' and 15,076' (14,999' and 15,046' TVD) in the Bass Enterprises Production Co.--F. Broussard No. 1 Well, located in Section 23, Township 11 South, Range 2 West, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.
  - 9. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

Pertinent data concerning this application is available for inspection at the offices of Louis Gilbert & Associates, Inc., 3636 N. Causeway Boulevard, Suite 204, Metairie, Louisiana 70002-7216. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call Mr. Louis Gilbert at (504) 834-8112 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such pertinent data which is not otherwise available from the records of the Louisiana Office of Conservation can be obtained from Applicant at the expense of the requesting party.

Applicant has heretofore received from you a waiver of the pre-application notice requirements and Rule 3 of the Revised Rules of Procedure effective October 11, 1983; and, therefore, Applicant has not considered such requirements applicable.

Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, Applicant has made a reasonable effort to obtain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom notice of this application is being sent and has attached hereto a list of the names and addresses of such parties. A copy of the unit plat is enclosed herewith and a copy of this letter and of the attached plat is being sent to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation and to the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties as shown on the attached list. If any of these parties desire to confer with Applicant concerning these proposals, they are hereby notified that a conference will be held at 1:30 P.M. on April 2, 2003, at the Lafayette Petroleum Club,111 Heymann Boulevard, Lafayette, Louisiana. Any person intending to attend the conference is requested to so notify the undersigned at (318) 429-7200.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing and the enclosed plat at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of Riceville Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, a copy of the Legal Notice will be mailed to all Interested

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Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

Finally, we enclose our check payable to the Commissioner of Conservation for the application fee.

Yours very truly, Carry to Smelley

David L. Smelley

Attorney for Bass Enterprises Production Co.

DLS/dp Enclosures

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Mr. Les Landry (w/encls.) Mr. Louis Gilbert (w/encls.) Interested Owners, Represented

Parties and Interested Parties (w/plat only)

